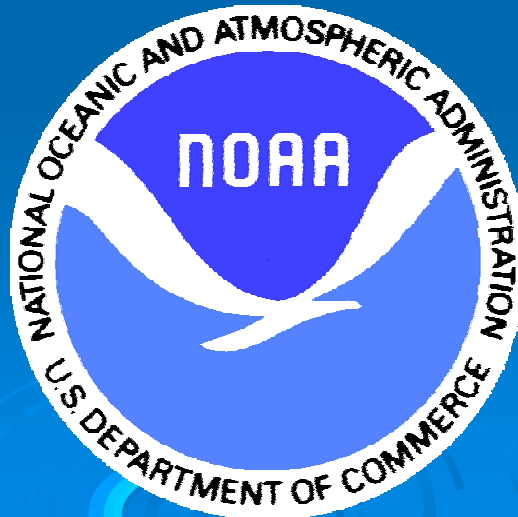


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New Council Member Orientation

November 1, 2006

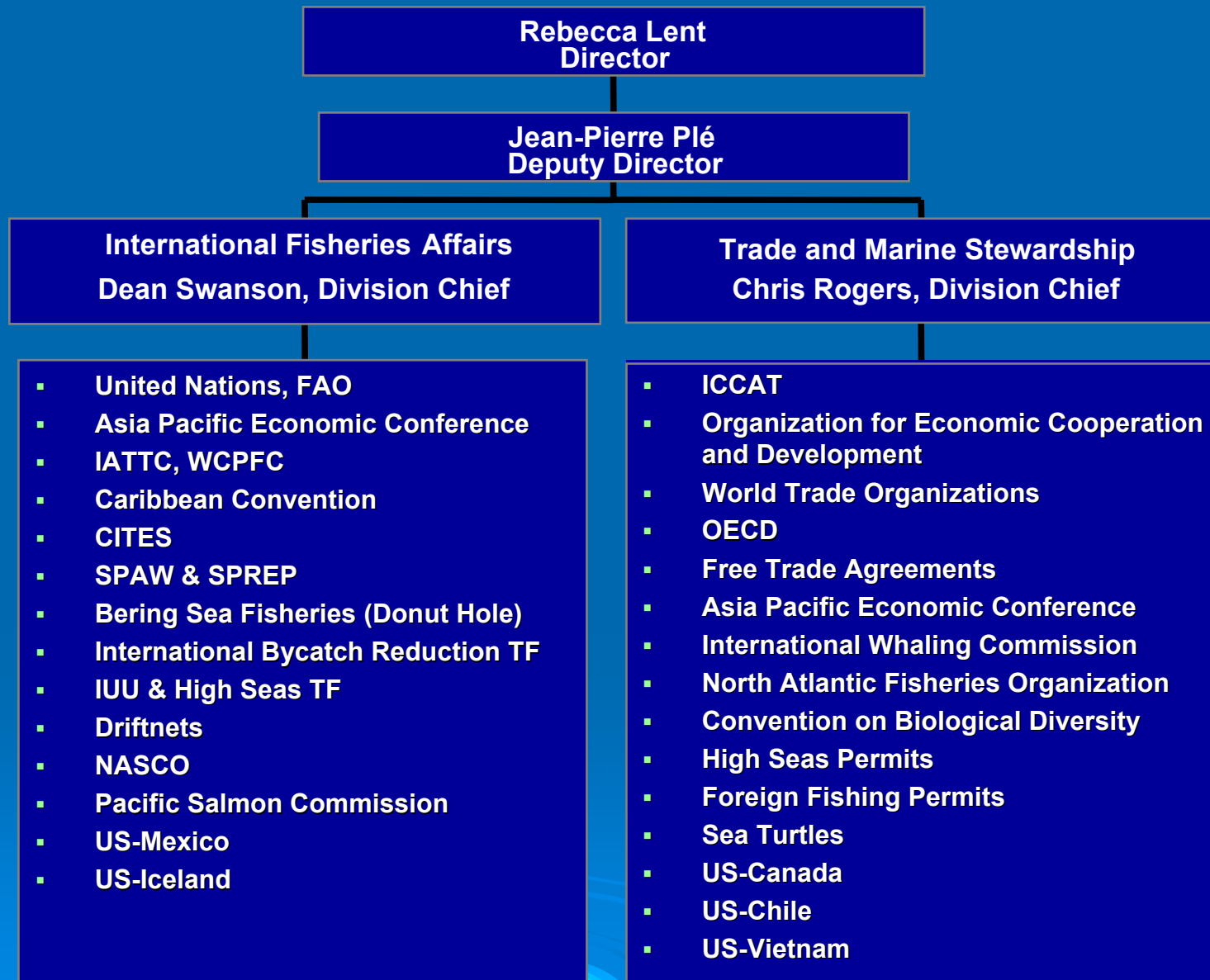


International Responsibilities:

Mandated Work

- **Magnuson-Stevens**
- **Marine Mammal Protection Act**
- **Endangered Species Act**
- **Implementing legislation for treaties and agreements:**
 - e.g., Pacific Salmon Treaty Act,
Atlantic Tuna Convention Act,
International Dolphin Conservation
Program Act, and more
- **Bilateral agreements with other governments (Japan, Russia and others)**

F/IA Office Structure & Responsibilities



F/IA Staffing

- **16 policy staff**
- **3 support staff**
- **1 contractor**
- **1 Sea Grant Fellow**

International Activities Outside of F/IA

Seattle, WA
Northwest Region
Northwest
Fisheries Science
Center
Alaska Fisheries
Science Center

Long Beach, CA
Southwest
Region

LaJolla, CA
Southwest
Fisheries Science
Center

Juneau, AK
Alaska Region

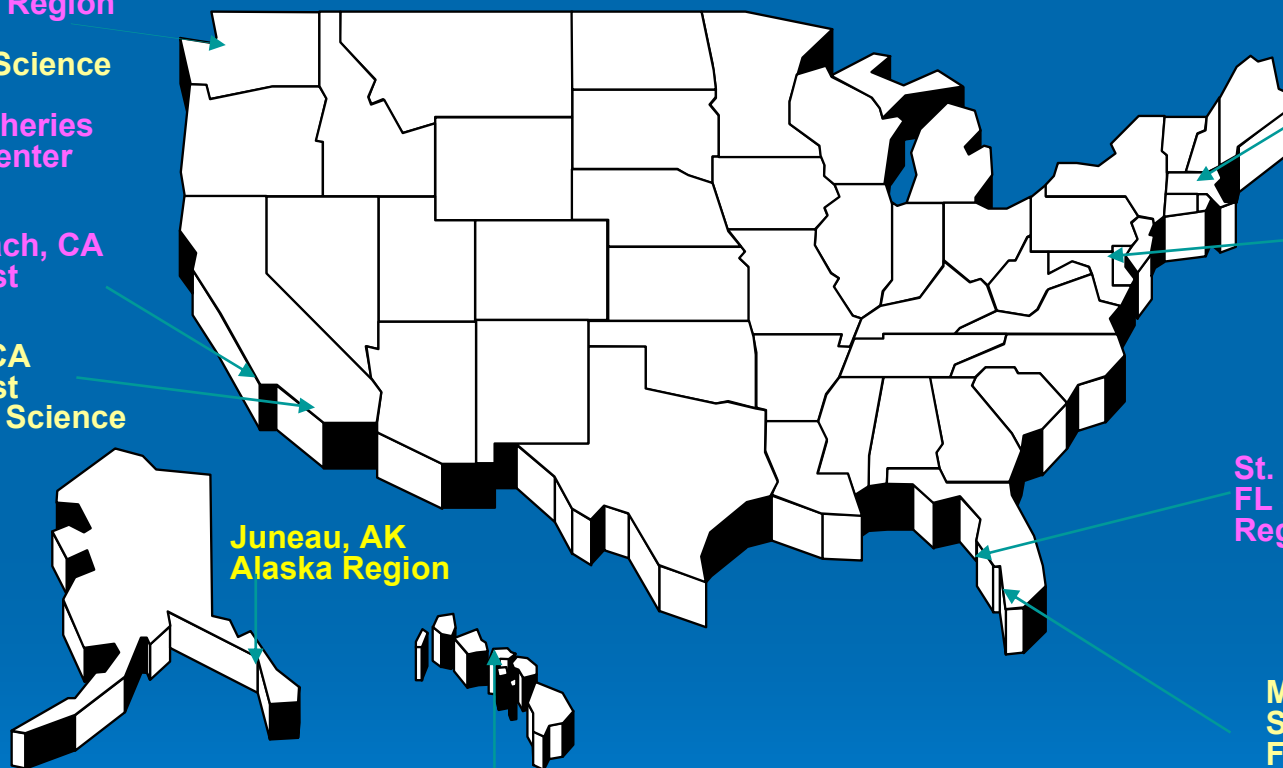
Honolulu, HI
Pacific Islands
Region
Pacific Islands
Fisheries Science
Center

Gloucester, MA
Northeast
Regional

Woods Hole, MA
Northeast
Fisheries Science
Center

St. Petersburg,
FL Southeast
Region

Miami, FL
Southeast
Fisheries Science
Center



Contemporary Challenges


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Top International Priorities: 2006-2011

- **Science-based, ecosystem approach to management**
 - **Prevent, deter and transform IUU fishing**
 - **Ensure U.S. access to marine resources through fishing and trade**
 - **Improve the marine stewardship capacity of developing countries**
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Regional Fishery Management Organizations

- **Summary tables covering:**
 - implementing legislation
 - species and parties
 - U.S. commissioners
 - Council(s) and Relevant Fishery Management Plan(s)
 - top U.S. objectives

Other International Bodies and Arrangements

- International activity for living marine resource conservation also occurs in many other bodies (CCAMLR, IWC, CBD, CITES, SPREP, APEC)
 - Summary tables covering:
 - implementing legislation, if any
 - species managed/purpose
 - parties
- Other global organizations with a role in fisheries: UN, FAO and OECD

Role of Councils

- **Serve on Advisory Councils**
- **Harmonize regulations**
- **Provide background information on the fishery**
- **Outreach**

Thank you!

